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## CONFERENCES

Middle Atlantic Regional Conference, Atlantic City, N. J., October 2-4, 1958.
PLA Annual Conference, York, 1959.

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# Library Services Act

Many librarians attending the mid-winter meeting of the American Library Association were surprised to learn that the President's budget requested only $3,000,000 for grants to the states instead of the $7,500,000 authorized by the 84th Congress.

The Council of the American Library Association on January 31, 1957, adopted a resolution calling for the appropriation of the full amount in order not to endanger the accomplishment of the primary objective of the act: to stimulate the states and their political subdivisions to establish and maintain adequate library facilities in the rural areas, now unserved or inadequately served.

Copies of the resolution were sent to the President of the United States; to all the Members of the Congress; to the Secretary of the Department of Health, Education, and Welfare; and to the United States Commissioner of Education.

*Action by the PLA*

The proposed cut in the appropriation in the President's budget reduced Pennsylvania's allotment from $341,396 to $92,080. Unused funds can be carried over into the second year. By that time Pennsylvania's plans will probably have been developed and approved.

Because the Washington office required special funds to work for the appropriation that Congress originally intended in the Library Services Act, the Executive Board voted that the PLA should contribute $100 in 1957, just as it did in 1956.

In response to this gift Mrs. Grace T. Stevenson, Associate Executive Secretary, ALA, wrote:

"On behalf of the officers of the American Library Association I would like to express the Association's gratitude to the Pennsylvania Library Association for their gift of $100 for the use of the ALA Washington Office in its efforts to obtain the full Congressional appropriation to implement the Library Services Act.

"This generous support from the membership is most welcome and heartening."

Julia Bennett, Director, ALA Washington Office, wrote:

"It is with deep appreciation that I write this note of thanks to you for the generous contribution of $100 to the work of the Washington Office. It is certainly splendid to know that we have the interest and support of so many of the state and regional library associations for our legislative activities.

"These added funds will make possible many things in our legislative work which would not be possible within our regular budget. We know from past experience last year how important such funds can be.

"Again, my sincere appreciation to you and the members of the Pennsylvania Library Association for this generous contribution."

The House Appropriations Committee on March 21st reported recommendations for the Health, Education and Welfare Department. In these, $2,000,000 was added to the President's budget of $3,000,000 for the Library Services Act. On March 29th the House of Representatives voted to sustain the five million dollar grant to the states. Mrs. Herbert Beighley, Chairman of the Federal Relations Committee of PLA, upon receipt of wires from Washington on March 28th, made hurried telephone calls to start a relay that resulted in a number of wires to Pennsylvania representatives in the House. Mrs. Beighley and others had written letters earlier.

Then on June 13th came the most welcome news; a telegram from Julia Bennett: "Hurrah! Final Senate action on Library Services Act is five million. No further action necessary. Victory is ours."

# INTRODUCING!

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# Executive Board Spring Meeting

Lorena Garloch presented the Auditing Committee's report which lists a cash balance of $6,058.66 and a savings account in the name of Pennsylvania Library Association of $2,780.45.

Margaretta A. Elder, reporting for the Audio-Visual Committee, stated that a basic list of films in a specific field, for use in public libraries, is being compiled by the committee.

Charlotte Everingham, chairman, Certification Committee, sent in a report which recommended legal certification in a library legislative program. The Board voted to turn the report over to the Library Development Committee for possible incorporation in their over all legislative program.

Mary I. Barrett, chairman, Friends of the Library Committee, forwarded a report which included a brochure, in preliminary form, on friends of libraries and their organization. The Board voted the following action: to determine if the ALA has plans for a Friends brochure; if not suggest that the PLA proposal form the model for a national publication; or that the PLA consider a state publication prepared in co-operation with a proposed editorial committee.

Chairman of the Membership Committee, Mrs. V. V. Kendall, announced that she had secured lists of potential members from the state colleges; that she will have a membership drive at the spring chapter meetings; and she asked directions concerning contacting the list of school librarians comprising 1200-1300 names of which only 100 are members of PLA. Mrs. Kendall was encouraged to use her committee allotment to contact non-member school librarians, and other potential members; since the Treasurer has automatically sent out a second delinquent notice to members who have not renewed.

It was suggested that facilities for library education in Pennsylvania be studied in the future and that recommendations be made to the Department of Education concerning publication of such a listing. This was recommended to the incoming president for possible action.

Mrs. Herbert Beighley, chairman, Federal Relations Committee, expressed her thanks to all Pennsylvania Library Association members who had written or contacted representatives in Washington in support of the Library Demonstration Bill.

The Nominating Committee presented a slate of officers which is printed elsewhere in this issue of the *Bulletin*.

The new recruiting poster and brochure were presented and the Board discussed the price, distribution, and future printing.

The resolution concerning retirement of PLA members was approved and follows this report.

The committee on Constitution and Procedure Book presented a report, which was discussed and adopted in the form in which it is printed in this issue, for action at the fall meeting.

# Nominations for PLA Offices 1957-1958

Vice-President and President-elect:
Mr. Daniel Healey, Harrisburg Public Library.

Secretary:
Mrs. Georgia Spinney Coyle, Warren Public Library.

Treasurer:
Joseph Myers, Scranton Public Library.

# Pennsylvania Library Association

ANNUAL CONFERENCE
OCTOBER 10 - 12, 1957

## LIBRARIES AND EDUCATION: PARTNERS IN PROGRESS

### *TENTATIVE PROGRAM*

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 10

9:00 A.M.-8:00 P.M. **Registration**

10:00 A.M. **EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING**

12:30 P.M.-1:30 P.M. Lunch

2:00 P.M.-4:00 P.M. **County Libraries Section**
Marion B. Kelly, Erie County Library, presiding

**Public Libraries Section**
Carl W. Hull, Librarian, Cambria Free Library, Johnstown, presiding

4:00 P.M. **COFFEE HOUR TO MEET THE EXHIBITORS**

6:30 P.M.-8:00 P.M. Dinner

8:30 P.M. **GENERAL SESSION**
Agnes Krarup, Director of School Library Services, Pittsburgh Public Schools, presiding
Speaker: Ralph Blasingame, State Librarian, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
Library Development Committee Report—Emerson Greenaway, Director, Free Library of Philadelphia

10:30 P.M. Round or Square dancing???

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 11

8:00 A.M.-9:30 A.M. Breakfast

9:00 A.M.-7:00 P.M. Registration

10:00 A.M. **GENERAL SESSION**—Business meeting—
Agnes Krarup, Director of School Library Services, Pittsburgh Public Schools, presiding

12:30 P.M.-1:30 P.M. Lunch

2:00 P.M. **Children's and Young Peoples' Section**—Business Meeting
Lee C. Smith, Librarian, Hanover Public Library, presiding

**College & Reference Section**—Business Meeting—
Mildred A. Ailman, Reference Librarian, Pennsylvania State University, presiding

**County Libraries Section**—Business Meeting—
Marion B. Kelly, Librarian, Erie County Library, presiding

**Friends of the Library Section**—Business Meeting—
Mary Barrett, Librarian, King's College, Wilkes-Barre, presiding

**Public Libraries Section**—Business Meeting—
Carl W. Hull, Librarian, Cambria Free Library, Johnstown, presiding

**Trustees Section**—Business Meeting—
Mrs. Harvey G. Woechner, Trustee, Mt. Lebanon Public Library, presiding

4:00 P.M. **School Librarians' Section**—Business Meeting—
Mazie Ziegler, Librarian, Lehighton High School Library, presiding

4:00 P.M. **EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING**

7:00 P.M. **ANNUAL BANQUET**—Harold W. Hayden, Librarian, Bucknell University, presiding
Speaker: L. Quincy Mumford, Librarian of Congress, Washington, D. C.
Music: Brass Choir, Bucknell University, Allan Flock, Director

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 12

8:00 A.M.-9:30 A.M. Breakfast

8:30 A.M.-12:00 M. Registration

9:00 A.M. **Children's, Young Peoples' & School Librarians' Section**
Lee C. Smith, Librarian, Hanover Public Library, presiding
Speaker: Rosamond Du Jardin

**College & Reference Section**—
Mildred A. Ailman, Reference Librarian, Pennsylvania State University, presiding

**County Libraries Section** —
Marion B. Kelly, Librarian, Erie County Library, presiding

10:00 A.M. **Friends of the Library Section**—
Mary Barrett, Librarian, King's College, Wilkes-Barre, presiding

12:30 P.M.-2:00 P.M. Lunch

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# ACRL Tri-State Chapter

The Tri-State Chaper of ACRL held its spring meeting on May 18th at Allegheny College, Meadville, Pa. During lunch there were buzz sessions on Acquisitions, Cataloging, Documents, Librarian and the Graduate Student, Library Co-operation, and Photoduplication. Eileen Thornton, librarian of Oberlin College and President-elect of ACRL, spoke on Accreditation Policies and Practices at the afternoon session. Miss Thornton has worked with some of the Middle States teams and described the procedure of accreditation. An institution being accredited spends at least a year making a report on all phases of its activities and objectives and sends the report to the Middle States Association. A team from the Association then examines the institution; the chairman of the team coordinates the work of its members and writes the final report, a copy of which is sent to both the institution and the Middle States Association. One of the most important criteria is the manner in which the institution is achieving its objectives. The North Central Association uses quantitative criteria, the Middle States Association qualitative. The Middle States Association gives either absolute accreditation or a degree of accreditation, requiring that the institution accomplish certain things within a given time. The administrative officers of a college or university can obtain the entire questionnaire used in accreditation from the Middle States Association.

After Miss Thornton's informative talk, the staff of the Allegheny College Library were hosts at a tea for the eighty librarians at the meeting. Officers for 1957-58 are: President: Lorena Garloch, University of Pittsburgh; Vice-President: Mrs. Vivian R. Boughter, West Liberty State College, West Liberty, W. Va.; Secretary-Treasurer: Agnes E. Painter, Allegheny College, Meadville.

# Recruiting Material Available

*Careers in Libraries,* the revised edition of the PLA recruiting brochure, is now available. Orders should be addressed to Mrs. Carolyn W. Field, The Free Library of Philadelphia, Logan Square, Philadelphia 3, Pa. Single copies may be obtained free if the request is accompanied by a stamped, self-addressed legal size envelope. Quantity prices are : 25 copies $1.00; 50 copies $1.75; 100 copies $3.00; and 500 copies $10.00.

A very attractive two color poster is also available. It is 9" x 12½". Single copies may be had for ten cents which includes mailing envelope and postage. Both the pamphlet and poster will also be for sale at the Bedford Springs meeting.

Mrs. Carolyn W. Field produced the brochure which was written by Frances Peters of The Free Library. Art work was done by Donald Cooke of the Winston Co., and J. Everett Taylor of the Exhibits Department, The Free Library.

The brochure was recently chosen best of 19 similar pamphlets by a Carnegie Library School class. The PLA effort won out over three other recruiting pieces rated as good. Thirteen others were called average and two were considered poor. Content and make-up were judging criteria.

# PLA Membership Retirements

The Special Committee on Resolutions for Retiring Members of the PLA recommends that the Association honor each retiring member for his service. Since it is recommended that this recognition be published in the annual conference number of the *PLA Bulletin*, the membership should be initially informed and subsequently reminded of the following suggested procedure:

1. That each library or interested member shall send names, and forwarding addresses, of PLA member retirements effective during the calendar year to the President before the spring meeting of the Board. (For the calendar year 1957 please send them to the President before the Bedford Springs Conference.)
2. That the President will bring the names to the attention of the Board at its spring meeting.
3. That the list of names will be given to the Editor of the *Bulletin* for inclusion in the Conference Number that year.
4. That the Secretary will send a copy of the resolution to each member, the copy containing only the name of the individual member.
5. That the above does not exclude the desirability of special recognition by the Association through the Board for unusual contribution.

# FLASH!

**The plan for Pennsylvania's participation in the Library Services Act has been received in "substantially approvable form" by the Library Services Branch, U. S. Office of Education. Review by the Department of Public Instruction and by the Attorney General must be accomplished before the plan may be put into effect. The plan calls for two projects to be started immediately: first, strengthening the extension services of the State Library; and, second, surveying the State with a view to establishing a state-wide plan through which library services may be extended to rural areas. Other projects may be instituted during this fiscal year, depending upon how quickly a pattern begins to emerge from the survey.**

# Pennsylvania Books of 1956

ROSE DEMOREST, *Pennsylvania Room*
*Carnegie Library of Pittsburgh*

An impressive list of books was published during the past year to add to the increasing number of studies on various subjects devoted to this state. The scope covered is a broad one and old, familiar subjects have not been neglected. Gettysburg has long been a favorite request, Pennsylvania German books are in steady demand and there is always need for another Franklin book, all of which are represented. In addition, the subjects of flying, polio and cooking are included because of their Pennsylvania connection with the author or the person involved.

**Armstrong, Maurice and others**
*The Presbyterian Enterprise; sources of church history (1706 to date).* 1956. Westminster Press. Philadelphia.

**Blair, Waller and Meine, Franklin Julius**
*Mike Fink Legend.* 1956. Chicago Press. Chicago.

**Blakeslee, Alton L.**
*Polio and the Salk Vaccine: what you should know about it.* 1956.

**Clark, Robert D.**
*The Life of Mathew Simpson.* 1956. Macmillan. New York.
A Methodist church Bishop.

**Coleman, Helen Turnbull Waite**
*Banners in the Wilderness; early years of Washington and Jefferson College.* 1956. University of Pittsburgh Press. Pittsburgh.

*Dickinson College History.* John and Mary's College (Spahr lectures). 1956. Revell.

**Doughty, Esther M.**
*Ball in the Sky—John Wise.* 1956.
A native of Pennsylvania who contributed to the progress of flying.

**Gray, Peter, Dr.**
*The Mistress Cook.* 1956. Oxford. New York.
A stimulating contribution to a popular subject by a biology professor at the University of Pittsburgh.

**Grimm, William C.**
*Trees of Pennsylvania with Grimm's Shrubs of Pennsylvania.* 2 vols. 1956. Stackpole. Harrisburg.

**Hutton, Ann Hawks**
*House of Decision, December, 1776.* 1956. Dorrance.
A story of an historic house which has been preserved, located at Washington Crossing Park.

**Kehl, James A.**
*Ill Feeling in the Era of Good Feeling: western Pennsylvania political battles 1815-1825.* 1956. University of Pittsburgh Press. Pittsburgh.

**Keller, William F.**
*The Nation's Advocate—Henry Marie Brackenridge and Young America.* 1956. University of Pittsburgh Press. Pittsburgh.

**Labaree, L. W.**
*Mr. Franklin; a selection from his personal letters.* 1956. Yale University Press. New Haven.

**Leder, Lawrence H., ed.**
*The Livington Indian Records 1667-1723.* 1956. Pennsylvania Historical Commission.
Advanced students of Indian history will welcome this study.

**Lewis, Virginia E.**
*Russell Smith.* 1956. University of Pittsburgh Press. Pittsburgh.
A biography of an artist who lived in Pittsburgh and Philadelphia where he painted many scenes from both places which have become noted for their pictorial value.

**Musmanno, Michael A.**
*Justice Musmanno Dissents; the dissenting opinion of a Supreme Court Justice of Pennsylvania, January 1952-1955.* 1956. Bobbs.

**National Park Service**
*Hopewell Village.* Revised. 1956.
*Independence Hall.* Revised. 1956.

**Pennsylvania. Internal Affairs.**
*Industrial Directory.* 1956.
An invaluable source book.
*Pennsylvania State University.* University Park. 1956.
Motion pictures, slides and filmstrips. Available on a rental basis for audio-visual aids.

**Philadelphia. The Evening and Sunday Bulletin, pub.**
*Bulletin Almanac.* 1956.
Annual volume. Valuable for statistics, state officials, guide to Philadelphia and other facts on the state.

**Rice, Charles S. and Steinmetz, R.**
*Amish Year.* 1956. Rutgers University Press.
Fine photographs enhance this book.

**Smith, Charles Page**
*James Wilson; founding father of Pennsylvania.* 1956. University of North Carolina Press.

**Stackpole, Edward J.**
*They Met at Gettysburg.* 1956. Stackpole. Harrisburg.

# Preliminary Report of the Constitution and Procedure Book Committee Relative to Suggested Changes in the Bylaws

CHANGE NUMBER 1

*Article V. Section 1. Composition of the Executive Board.*

The Executive Board shall be composed of the officers of the Association, the immediate Past President, the Chairman of each Section of the Association and representatives of the Association on the American Library Association Council. Ex-officio members of the Executive Board shall be the *Bulletin* Editor, the Chapter Chairmen, and the Chairmen of all committees. They shall be privileged to attend all meetings of the Executive Board and shall have the right to speak on any question and to suggest motions for the Executive Board's consideration but not the right to vote.

*Proposed Amendment:*

Sentences 2 and 3 are to be changed as follows:

"The *Bulletin* Editor, the Chapter Chairmen, and the Chairmen of all committees shall be invited to attend all meetings of the Executive Board and shall have the right to speak on any question and to suggest motions for the Executive Board's consideration but not the right to vote."

CHANGE NUMBER 2

*Article VI, Section 3. Duties of American Library Association Councilors.*

The present section reads: The American Library Association Councilors are elected as representatives from the Pennsylvania Library Association to the American Library Association. If for any reason a Councilor is unable to attend a conference at which the Council will meet, he shall notify the President to that effect as soon as possible. The President shall then, and prior to the first meeting of the Council, appoint a substitute.

*The Amendment reads:*

The American Library Association Councilors will represent the Pennsylvania Library Association on the American Library Association Council with powers and duties as prescribed by the Constitution and bylaws of the American Library Association. They will also be voting members of the Pennsylvania Library Association Executive Board.

In this amendment the last two sentences of the original section have been deleted and the duties of the Councilors restated. Reference is made in the plural to the Councilors to cover the possibility of another change in the ALA Bylaws or constitution. At present PLA is entitled to only one councilor.

*Article VI, Section 4, Proxies,* is to be deleted in its entirety since ALA no longer permits proxies. It reads:

Any Councilor who shall be absent during a meeting or part of a meeting of the Council of the American Library Association may give his proxy to another Councilor elected by the Pennsylvania Library Association or if none is present to another Councilor. The same shall apply if no substitute delegate has been appointed.

CHANGE NUMBER 3

*Article XI, Section 2. Finances, Delinquent Dues.*

Section reads as follows: Members whose dues are unpaid on June 1 of each year and who shall continue such delinquency for one month after notice of the same has been sent shall be dropped from membership. Lapsed members shall be reinstated upon payment of dues for the current year.

Proposed is a change in the date of delinquency from June 1 to March 31. The amended article would read:

"Members whose dues are unpaid on March 31 . . . etc."

This change was recommended by the treasurer as an inducement to early payment of dues.

Mr. George Ermel
Mrs. Karl Lubrecht
Mr. Ralph McComb
Mr. Joseph H. Myers, *Chairman*

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## See You at Bedford Springs

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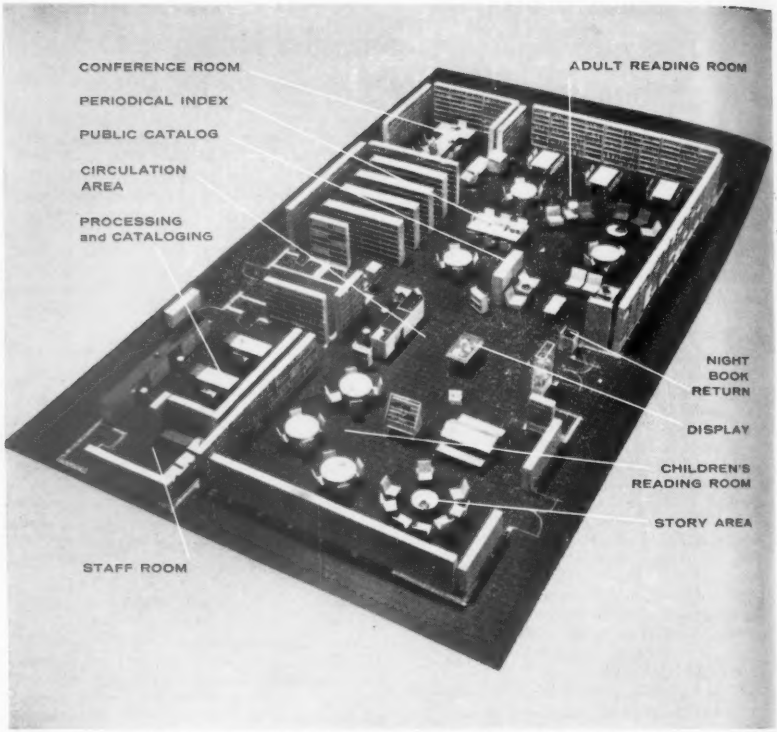
**Stevens, S. K.**
*Pennsylvania; the Keystone State.* 2 v. 1956. American Historical Co.

**Sullivan, William Arnold**
*Industrial Worker in Pennsylvania 1800-1840.* 1956. Pennsylvania Historical Commission.

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# County Library Section

The County Library Section had a two-day workshop at the Green Gables Hotel in Lewistown April 26-27. The stimulating and helpful program prepared by Mrs. Carola Stuckenrath, hostess librarian of Mifflin County, centered around the vital problems of federal aid and state legislation.

An expression of the deep appreciation of the section for all that had been done by Messrs. Doerschuk, Greenaway, and McComb to secure the appointment of a qualified state librarian is to be conveyed to each by letter.

A motion made by Dan Healey, and seconded by the group, commended Catherine Bard for her work on library legislation for Pennsylvania.

News! Bucks County, home of Dr. Boehm, has a county library, the thirtieth out of a possible sixty-seven.

Ralph Blasingame, Jr., state librarian, spoke of a program for, and the difficulties that lie ahead in, the extension of library service. In an informal discussion period he gave full opportunity to each one present to suggest how federal aid might be used to greatest advantage to bring books to rural areas — the biggest task in the state — as Pennsylvania is still on the bottom of the list having the largest population in the U. S. without any library service.

In session and out, the need for a change in the present county library law was injected time after time. How great the need is has been proven by the fact that Pennsylvania is still 32nd among the states in her per capita library expenditure. Cleveland is spending slightly less for her library than the entire commonwealth, including Philadelphia and Pittsburgh. An institution can not function properly on six cents per capita nor even on sixty-six cents as Pennsylvania's county libraries are doing under the limitations of the present law. Four times the concept that a library is an educational institution and not a charitable organization was brought to the fore.

Byron C. Hopkins, Director of Libraries, East Orange, N. J., spoke on "Taking a Calculated Risk." The slogan on Conant's wall at Harvard, "Behold the turtle! He maketh progress only when he sticketh his neck out." served as starting point for an outstanding series of challenges for county librarians to go and do likewise.

"Beware the Menehunes!" was the arresting title of a delightful and yet thought provoking message from Dr. George Murphy, Director of the Reading Clinic, Penn State University.

Officers who presided were Marion Kelly, president, Erie; Margaretta Elder, vice-president, Mifflin; and Catherine Bard, secretary-treasurer, Huntingdon.

CATHERINE BARD
*Secretary*

# News Notes

The **Carnegie Library of Pittsburgh** has received $36,000 from the Buhl Foundation of Pittsburgh to aid in the development of the former Carnegie Free Library of Allegheny, which was recently merged with the Pittsburgh library system.

The money will be used to establish a room for 'teen-agers, an exhibition room, and to refurnish the Lending and Children's rooms.

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**Allegheny County's** new bookmobile is lending more than 5,000 books per week. At one stop, a huge shopping center, 1,400 books are lent in seven hours, an average of over three books per minute.

All stops except one are in shopping centers. There is no school service.

An additional bookmobile has been ordered for delivery in September.

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The **Schwenksville** Community Library issued a very fine brochure on the occasion of the dedication of the new $71,650 building, April 27, 1957. The first free library was organized in 1934. Plans for the new building were begun in 1950 with the new library opened for use on January 5, 1957. The building includes a meeting room and community auditorium with kitchen facilities.

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The list of chapter chairmen in the *Bulletin* has erroneously carried the name of Miss Jean P. Wesner, Librarian, Bethlehem Steel Company, Bethlehem, Pennsylvania, as chairman of the **Lehigh Valley District** for the past year. Dr. Josephine Raeppel, Librarian, Albright College Library, Reading, Pennsylvania, has been leading this district with distinction. President Agnes Krarup apologizes for this mistake. Will all chairmen please check the list of new officers in the *Bulletin* and report immediately any error in either name or address.

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Mrs. Aurora (Vona) Almodovar, Carnegie Library School '56, joined the **Carnegie Institute of Technology** staff as assistant reference librarian February 1, 1957.

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Lucile Allen, Dean of **Chatham College, Pittsburgh,** has written an outstanding article on recruitment entitled "Recruiting the Undergraduate" which is included in *Recruiting Library Personnel* (part of ACRL Monograph, no. 17).

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Mr. Kenneth H. Fagerhaugh, librarian of **Carnegie Institute of Technology**, received the Special Libraries Association Pittsburgh Chapter's 1957 award "in recognition of his exceptional service to the Chapter and the Association . . ." Mr. Fagerhaugh was elected a Fellow of the AAAS in January, 1957, and a Member at Large of the Board of Directors of the U. S. Book Exchange at the Corporation's annual meeting, March 15, 1957.

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A follow-up or progress report has been compiled and published by ALA as a result of the Allerton Park Conference on "Training Needs of Librarians Doing Adult Education Work." Participants were asked to contribute reports on the ways in which they had carried out the recommendations adopted at the Conference, and on other effects of the Conference which they might have observed. This was compiled and edited in mimeograph form by Lester Asheim and Eleanor Phinney. The PLA copy of this "Progress Report on the Allerton Park Conference" is in the hands of the secretary, Miss Marie Davis, Free Library of Philadelphia, and may be borrowed from her.

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**Temple** University Library *Bulletin* for May, 1957, contains an annotated bibliography of Joseph Conrad material. It was compiled by Frederick E. Maser, who presented this extensive and very fine collection to Temple. Included are presentation and signed copies, and first edition, as well as some Conradiana.

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Mary I. Barrett, King's College, Wilkes-Barre, has accepted chairmanship of the PLA **Friends of the Library** Committee, replacing Helen A. Ganser who found it necessary to resign.

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Elinor Walker, in charge of work with young people at the **Carnegie Library** in **Pittsburgh**, is the author of a new ALA publication "Book Bait; Popular Adult Books and Ways of Introducing Them to Young People." The probable price of the book, to be introduced at a meeting of the Association of Young People's Librarians in Kansas City on June 25, will probably be $1.25. The titles were chosen by the author in co-operation with some of the country's other leading young people's librarians. Miss Walker has written an elaborate summary of each title chosen, in effect a complete book review, and also she indicates how each book may be used to enrich the young person's reading. Other titles likely to have similar appeal, are also mentioned. Another new ALA title of similar interest is Mary Peacock Douglas' "The Pupil Assistant in the School Library."

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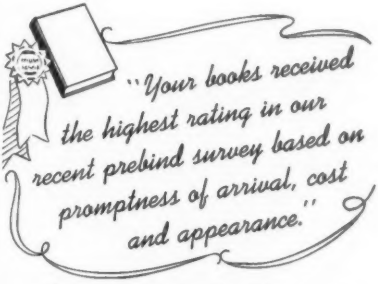


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